Tree Dedication by LBJ to Highlight
Int. Shade Tree Conference, Aug. 15-19

President Lyndon Johnson is expected to dedicate a scarlet oak (official District of Columbia tree) adjacent to the White House grounds at noon, Aug. 16, highlighting activities of the 41st annual International Shade Tree Conference convention in the nation's capital, Aug. 15-19.

Site for the planting and dedication, selected by U. S. Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall, is Lafayette Park, opposite the President's living quarters. The First Lady and other government officials also plan to attend, according to ISTC president Joseph Dietrich (Parks Superintendent, Greenwich, Conn.).

Unique corollary feature to this event will be simultaneous plantings of state trees on each of the nation's 50 state capital grounds at noon, in respective time zones.

Theme for the five-day conclave at Washington-Hilton Hotel is "Trees in the Beautification of the Modern Municipalities." Timely panel discussions will include: "Trees for City Streets, Malls, and Other Public Areas," moderated by Edward A. Connell, Supt. of Parks & Trees, Stamford, Conn.; and "Cooperation With Civic Groups, Departments and Others on Municipal Tree Programs," led by Harold Gray, chairman, DC Commissioners Planning and Urban Renewal Advisory Council.

Also offered delegates and guests will be a prognostication of things to come when Cy Parrimier, landscape architect for Johnson, Johnson and Roy, Inc., Ann Arbor, Mich., speaks on "City of the Future."

Convention agenda also lists excursions to Washington's many historical sites.

Geigy Makes New Nematocide

Sarolex, a new nematocide that reportedly kills both nematodes and soil insects, has been introduced by Geigy. This nematocide-insecticide also greens-up turf severely damaged by nematodes, chinch bugs, and other lawn pests, the manufacturer says.

Long residual action (one treatment all season), low phytotoxicity to surrounding ornamentals, compatibility with other materials, and no corrosive effects on equipment are other listed Sarolex advantages.

Tests with the new product have proved there is gradual growth of new grass in infested areas after treatment on most southern turfs, Geigy claims.

More detailed information is available from Geigy Chemical Corp., Saw Mill River Road, Ardsley, N. Y.

Chemical Mixer Produced

Multi-Film Compex, a new chemical mixer, said to be completely soluble in liquid solutions, is now marketed by Colloidal Products Corp.

Compex provides contract applicators with an inexpensive aid to treat soil with liquid fertilizers, insecticides, or herbicides in a single operation, Colloidal says.

For further details write Colloidal Products Corp., P. O. Box 667, Sausalito, Calif. 94965.